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- 1. U. S. Serial No. 09/233,443, filed January 20, 1999, inventor Bernhard van LENGERICH, entitled ENCAPSULATION OF SENSITIVE LIQUID COMPONENTS INTO A MATRIX TO OBTAIN DISCRETE SHELF-STABLE PARTICLES (BVL-105).
- 2. U. S. Serial No. 11/263,360, filed October 31, 2005, inventors Bernhard van LENGERICH, Goeran WALTHER, and Benjamin van AUKEN, entitled ENCAPSULATION OF READILY OXIDIZABLE COMPONENTS (GMI-107).

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